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NOTIFICATION

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No.5206—FARD-VE2-13V-0042/2023/FARD. — In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Odisha hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Odisha Veterinary Technical Service, Group “C” (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 1983, namely:—

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the Odisha Veterinary Technical Service Group “C” (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

2. In the Odisha Veterinary Service, Group “C” (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 1983 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 2,-

(i) for clause (a), following clauses shall be substituted, namely:—

"(a)" Appointing Authority" means the Director;

(a-1)" Board" means the Selection Board constituted under sub-rule (1) of rule 8,".

(ii) for clause (m) following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

“(m)Select List” means the list of the candidates approved by the Appointing Authority containing the names of persons considered suitable in order of merit for appointment as recommended by the Commission (in case of direct recruitment), and by the Board (in case of promotion) ; and ”.

3. In the said rules, in rule 4 ,—

(i) for clause (a), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

“(a) In respect of the posts of Livestock Inspector, eighty (80) *per cent* of the sanctioned posts shall be filled up by direct recruitment by the Commission

and the remaining twenty (20) *per cent* of the sanctioned post shall be filled up by promotion from among Group-D field employees:

Provided that in the event of non-availability of suitable Group-D field employees for promotion, the posts shall be filled up by direct recruitment."; and

(ii) after clause (b), the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:—

“(c) In case of direct recruitment, vacancies in the posts of Livestock Inspectors shall be filled up in the manner as provided in sub- rule (1) of rule 6.

(d) In case of promotion, vacancies in the posts of Livestock Inspectors shall be filled up in the manner as provided in sub- rule (2) of rule 6.”.

4. In the said rules, rule 5 shall be omitted.

5. In the said rules, for rule 6, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“6. Eligibility Criteria.— (1) In order to be eligible for appointment to the post of Livestock Inspector by direct recruitment , a candidate must fulfill the following conditions, namely:-

(a) he must be a citizen of India;

(b) he must have passed either the Class VII examination with Odia as a subject or passed a test in Odia in M.E. School standard conducted by the Education Department;

(c) he must have attained the age of eighteen years and must not be above the age of thirtytwo years on the first day of January of the year in which applications are invited:

Provided that, the upper age limit may be relaxed in case of candidates belonging to reserved category to the extent as provided in the relevant Act or rules framed and orders or instructions issued by the Government, from time to time;

(d) he must have passed Intermediate in science or +2 Science or Higher Secondary (Science) or such other equivalent examination or +2 vocational courses in the field of Animal Husbandry/ Dairy/ Poultry/ Meat/ Animal Production from a recognized Educational Institution or Board or Council or University;

(e) he must be of good character;

(f) he must be knowing cycling well; and

(g) he must not be having more than one spouse living:

Provided that, the Government may, if satisfied that the second and subsequent marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person or there are other grounds for doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

(2) In case of candidates to be appointed as Livestock Inspectors by promotion from the Group D field employees, they must have the eligibility as stipulated in clauses (a),(b),(e),(f) and (g) of sub-rule (1), and passed H.S.C. or equivalent examination from a recognized Educational Institution or Board or Council and must have worked at least for a period of two years in the treatment of animals.

6. In the said rules, for rule 7, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“7. Determination of vacancy and submission of requisition.— (1) The Director shall determine the number of vacancies preferably in the month of January every year and submit the requisition to the Commission for direct recruitment after obtaining approval of the Government.

(2) On receipt of the requisition under sub-rule (1), the Commission shall invite applications from the eligible candidates through open advertisement made in two widely circulated Odia daily and in their website for filling the vacant posts by direct recruitment.

(3) The date on which and the places at which the written examination to be held shall be as decided by the Commission.

(4) The standard, syllabus and subjects of the examination shall be as decided by the Commission.

(5) After completion of the selection, the Commission shall prepare a merit list of the candidates who have come out successful and send the same to the Director for approval and after such approval, the merit list shall be treated as select list.

(6) The Director shall give appointment to the candidates in accordance with the select list.”.

7. In the said rules, for rule 8, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“8. Constitution of Selection Board and manner of appointment.— (1) There shall be constituted a Board comprising the following members for selection of candidates from Group-D field employees for their promotion to Livestock Inspector, namely:—

- (a) Collector of the concerned District; Chairman
- (b) A nominee of the Director, Animal Husbandry

- and Veterinary Service, Odisha, belonging to Member
 Odisha Veterinary Service, Group-A ;
- (c) District Welfare Officer ; and Member
- (d) Chief District Veterinary Officer of
 concerned District Member Convener

(2) The Board shall consider the applications received from the Group-D field employees who are eligible as per sub-rule (2) of rule 6 and prepare the merit list of such Group-D employees taking into consideration their seniority in the gradation list and furnish the same to the Director for approval.

(3) The Director shall give promotion to the candidates in the posts of Livestock Inspector in accordance with the approved merit list which forms the select list.”.

8. In the said rules, for rule 9, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“9. Training of the Livestock Inspector.— (1) Every Livestock Inspector shall undergo training for a period of one year which shall consist of theory for a period of 9 (nine) months and practical for a period of 3 (three) months in Farms and Veterinary Institutions.

(2) The Director may prescribe such curriculum for internal and external assessment of the merit of the trainees and conduct such examination as he may deem fit.

(3) During the training period, the trainees shall be paid the minimum of the scale of pay attached to the post of Livestock Inspector as admissible.

(4) A trainee if fails to complete the training successfully in one chance, shall be given two more chances to complete the training failing which, he shall be debarred from promotion to the higher rank permanently.”.

9. In the said rules, rule 10 and 11 shall be omitted.

10. In the said rules, for rule 15, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“15. Reservation- Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules reservation of vacancies or posts, as the case may be, for-

- a. Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Odisha Reservation of Vacancies in Posts and Services (for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) Act, 1975 and the

rules made thereunder and instructions issued in this regard by the Government from time to time; and

- b. S.E.B.C., Women, Sportsmen, Ex-Servicemen and Persons with Disabilities shall be made in accordance with the provisions made under such rules, orders or instructions issued in this regard by the Government from time to time”.

11. In the said rules, for rule 17, following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

"17.Seniority. — The seniority of the officers appointed to the service, in any year shall be regulated in the following manner, namely:—

- (a) seniority of officers appointed by direct recruitment to the posts of Livestock Inspector shall be determined on the basis of their position secured in the select list prepared under sub-rule (5) of rule 7;
- (b) seniority of officers appointed on promotion to the posts of Livestock Inspector shall be determined on the basis of their position secured in the select list prepared under sub-rule (3) of rule 8:

Provided that the promoted officers shall be en-bloc senior to the direct recruits appointed in a particular year.

- (c) seniority of the officers appointed to the posts of Veterinary Technicians shall be determined on the basis of their position secured in the list prepared under sub-rule (3) of rule 14."

By Order of the Governor

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